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## Fundy FRINGE Thinking Outside the Box

Festival offers a unique blend of live and virtual performances for 2020 offering



SAINT JOHN – An innovative line-up of creative content is in the works for the 2020 annual Fundy FRINGE Festival. The festival, celebrating its eighth year of operation, customarily offers artists from across the globe opportunities to share their works with local audiences. Some drastic changes have been made to the local FRINGE festival to allow it to survive and thrive in a time when many festivals across the globe have been forced to cancel.

The 2020 Fundy FRINGE Festival line-up includes plenty of comedy, storytelling and some timely performances exploring themes of isolation and mental health. The full line-up includes:

*Isolation Time* by Decoy Productions | Theatre for a Covid world: boxed in, stressed out, jumped up, and dragged down. A minute-by-minute play-by-play through an optimist's mind taken over by worries of pandemic proportions.

*Mashup 2* by Improvisation Corporation | *Hamilton*, *Little Mermaid*, *My Fair Lady*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Sound of Music* and *Rocky Horror* will all be mashed together with hilarious results.

*Like Butter In a Dog's Mouth* by Aberrant Theatre | A cautionary folktale about the consequences of indulging in our own darkness, and the lengths necessary to defeat it.

*Swing* by Pizza Squeeze Inc | Swing (sometimes literally) between stories of first kisses, peed pants, lost virginities, and pissed-off old ladies. A one woman show about finding your place in the world.

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*The Wren & The Bear* by Stumble Upon A Story | A Grimm Brothers tale reimagined with puppetry and musical storytelling that the whole family can enjoy or simply stumble across while in King's Square.

*Every Young Adult Novel Ever: The Musical* by Isolation Creation | A musical for all of the die-hard vampire fans, and especially for people who like to make fun of die-hard vampire fans! *Closeted Twilight Fans* - this one is for you!

*Cry Wolf* by InterAction School of Performing Arts | Welcome to a mystery, comedy, and drama - otherwise known as the life of a high-schooler. After the disappearance of a local teen, people start to make assumptions. Through modern storytelling techniques, *Cry Wolf* tests the boundaries between truth and rumour.

*Just Desserts* by Kay Kreative Arts | Kelsey is a loveable oddball who has never been the bell of the ball. When she catches the eye of the smooth talking Xander, she is over the moon. When an unexpected source dishes out alarming new details about who he really is, it casts a cloud of doubt over her new fairy tale romance.

*Sarah/Frank* by Minmar Gaslight Productions | A 30-minute audio experience (think radio play meets theatrical sound design) retracing the untold story of a Canadian legend who fought in the American Civil War. A unique viewpoint from history's pages that examines how gender, identity, and sexuality are challenged during wartime in the 1800s.

The Fundy FRINGE Festival will return **August 17-22, 2020** making its home base at the BMO Studio Theatre, 112 Princess Street for live performances. Tickets for live performances go on sale August 7. Advance sales only by calling 652-7582 ext. 236. Livestream performances are by donation.

Ticketing information to be announced soon. Visit [www.fundyfringefestival.com](http://www.fundyfringefestival.com) for more information.

The Fundy Fringe Festival is part of a growing community of Fringe Festivals throughout North America, dedicated to supporting independent performers and artists and creating affordable spaces through which diverse communities can experience boundary-pushing theatre and other performances. The Fundy FRINGE Festival is supported by Canadian Heritage, Saint John Community Arts Board, and the Province of New Brunswick.